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## Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application.

1. (currently amended) A compound according to formula (I)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
X^3 \\
& & \\
& & \\
& & \\
X^1 & & X^2
\end{array}$$
(1)

wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from the group of (i) and (ii) wherein (i) comprises

one or both of X<sup>1</sup> and X<sup>2</sup> is R<sup>1</sup> Y<sup>1</sup> A with each being the same or different, or optionally one of X<sup>1</sup> and X<sup>2</sup> is H;

A is either a direct link,  $(CH_2)_k$  with k being an integer from 0 to 30, or  $\Theta$ ;

Y<sup>1</sup> is (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1</sub> with I being an integer from 1 to 30, O, S,

 $Z^1$  is  $(CH_2)_m$  or  $O(CH_2)_m$  with m being an integer from 1 to 50,  $C(R^2)H$ , NH, O, or S;

Q<sup>1</sup> and Q<sup>2</sup> are independently H<sub>2</sub>, =NR<sup>4</sup>, =O, or a combination of H and -NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>;

R<sup>1</sup>, for each of X<sup>1</sup> and X<sup>2</sup>, is independently hydrogen, a straight or branched chain C1 to C30 alkyl, a straight or branched chain C2 to C30 alkenyl, an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring with or without mono, di, or trisubstitutions of the ring, an acyl including a C1 to C30 alkyl or an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring, an arylalkyl including straight or branched chain C1 to C30 alkyl, an aryloxyalkyl including straight or branched chain C1 to C30 alkyl,

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R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and R<sup>8</sup> are independently hydrogen, a straight or branched chain C1 to C30 alkyl, a straight or branched chain C2 to C30 alkenyl, an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring with or without mono, di, or trisubstitutions of the ring, an acyl including a C1 to C30 alkyl or aromatic or heteroaromatic ring, an acylalkyl including straight or branched chain C1 to C30 alkyl, or an acylakyl including straight or branched chain C1 to C30 alkyl;

## wherein (ii) comprises

 $X^1$  is  $(HO)_2PO-Z^1-$ ;

enc or both of  $X^2$  and  $X^3$  is are both  $R^1R^2N$ —  $R^4$ — $Y^4$ —A— with each being the same or different or optionally one of  $X^2$  and  $X^3$  is H;

A is either a direct link, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>k</sub> with k being an integer from 0 to 30, or O;

Y' is (CH2), with / being an integer from 1 to 30, O, S,

 $Z^1$  is  $-(CH_2)_m$  or  $-O(CH_2)_m$  with m being an integer from 1 to 50,  $-C(R^3)H$ , NH, or -O, or S;

 $Q^1$  and  $Q^2$  are independently  $H_2$ , =NR<sup>4</sup>, =O, a combination of H and —NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>;

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R<sup>1</sup>, for each of at X<sup>2</sup> or X<sup>3</sup>, is independently hydrogen, a straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl, a straight or branched-chain C2 to C30 alkenyl, an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring with or without mono, di, or trisubstitutions of the ring, or an acyl including a C1 to C30 alkyl or an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring, an arylalkyl including straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl, an aryloxyalkyl including straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl,

R<sup>1</sup> at X<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen, a straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl, a straight or branched-chain C2 to C30 alkenyl, or an acyl including a C1 to C30 alkyl or an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring; and

R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, and R<sup>6</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and R<sup>8</sup> are independently hydrogen, a straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl, a straight or branched-chain C2 to C30 alkenyl, an aromatic or heteroaromatic ring with or without mono-, di-, or trisubstitutions of the ring, an acyl including a C1 to C30 alkyl or aromatic or heteroaromatic ring, an arylalkyl including straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl, or an aryloxyalkyl including straight or branched-chain C1 to C30 alkyl;

wherein when  $R^2$  at  $X^2$  is H and  $Q^2$  is  $R^4$   $Y^4$  A with A being a direct link,  $Y^4$  being NH, and  $R^4$  being a straight or branched chain alkyl group, the straight or branched chain alkyl group is a C10 C5 to C30 C18 alkyl group; and

wherein the compound of formula (I) is not lysophosphatidic acid, phosphatidic acid, alkenyl glycerolphosphate, dioctyl glycerolphosphate, or N palmitoyl L-serine.

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- 2. (canceled)
- 3. (currently amended) The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound is from group (ii) and wherein

 $Q^1$  is  $H_2$ ;

 $Q^2$  is =0;

Z<sup>1</sup> is O; and

 $R^2$  at both  $X^2$  and  $X^3$  is H are  $R^1 - Y^4 - A$ , with A being a direct link and  $Y^1$  being NH for each

- 4. (currently amended) The compound according to claim 3, wherein X<sup>3</sup> is

  NH<sub>2</sub> and X<sup>2</sup> is NHR<sup>1</sup> with R<sup>1</sup> at X<sup>2</sup> is being a straight chain C14 to C18 alkyl.
- 5. (currently amended) The compound according to claim 4, wherein  $R^1$  at  $\underline{X}^2$  is a C14 alkyl.
- 6. (currently amended) The compound according to claim 4, wherein  $R^1$  is at  $X^2$  a C18 alkyl.
  - (currently amended) The compound according to claim 3, wherein
     X<sup>3</sup> is NHR<sup>1</sup> with R<sup>1</sup> at X<sup>3</sup> is being an acetyl group and
     X<sup>2</sup> is NHR<sup>1</sup> with R<sup>1</sup> at X<sup>2</sup> is being a C14 alkyl.
  - 8-11 (canceled)
  - 12. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising: a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier and a compound according to claim 1.
  - 13-34 (canceled)